

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : S. Narayanan et al. Art Unit : 1746
Serial No.: 10/722,352 Examiner : Angela J. Martin
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Title : WATER FREE PROTON CONDUCTING MEMBRANES BASED ON
POLY-4-VINYLPYRIDINEBISULFATE FOR FUEL CELLS

Mail Stop Amendment

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Notice of Restriction dated October 19, 2006 applicants herewith elect Group 1, Claims 1-5 and 11-14. Applicants also elect Species 1, Claims 1-5.

Applicants, however, traverse the restriction, since many of the claims and species are linked. The Group 1 and 2 claims were in fact linked (see Claim 4 which depended from Claim 1 and claimed similar subject matter to that of Claim 11). Each of Claims 6 and 11 have been amended to depend from Claim 1.